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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: SCOTT G. MEIKLE
APPLICATION No.: 09/649,427
FILED: AUGUST 28, 2000
FOR: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
FORMING A PLANARIZING PAD
HAVING A FILM AND TEXTURE
ELEMENTS FOR PLANARIZATION OF
MICROELECTRONIC SUBSTRATES**

EXAMINER: LAN VINH
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**Petition Under 37 CFR § 1.313(c)(2) for Withdrawal from Issue
to Permit Consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement
under 37 CFR § 1.97 in a Request for Continued Examination**

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Commissioner:

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.313(c)(2), applicant hereby petitions for withdrawal of the above-identified application from issue. The issue fee for this application was paid on September 3, 2003.

This application is being withdrawn from issue to permit consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR § 1.97 in a Request for Continued Examination in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.114 filed concurrently herewith. Applicant submits that filing the reference in the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement is a good and sufficient reason to necessitate withdrawing this application from issuance.

A check is enclosed covering the petition fee as required under 37 CFR § 1.17(i). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or to

credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0665. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
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Enclosures:

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